

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Inose, et al.  
App. No : 10/553,376  
Filed : October 19, 2005  
For : METHOD FOR ISOLATING  
NUCLEIC ACIDS, AND A KIT AND  
APPARATUS FOR NUCLEIC ACID  
ISOLATION  
Examiner : Angela Marie Bertagna  
Art Unit : 1637  
Conf No. : 6992

## AMENDMENT

**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action sent September 28, 2009, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to enter the following amendments and consider the following arguments.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 3 of this paper.